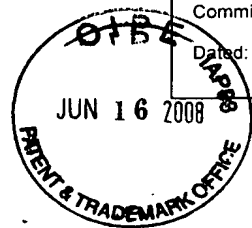


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 12, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.